

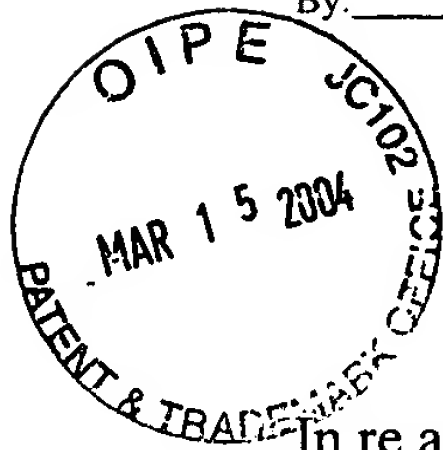
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In re application of:

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Application No.: 09/492,029

Filed: January 26, 2000

For: ASSAYS FOR SENSORY
MODULATORS USING A SENSORY
CELL SPECIFIC G-PROTEIN BETA
SUBUNIT

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9362

Examiner: Rao, Manjunath N.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 9, 2003, and the Advisory
Action mailed November 17, 2003, please enter the following remarks. A petition for time
extension of three months, from December 14, 2004, to March 14, 2004, is filed concurrently.
Also filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.